is taken to make good the deficiencies noticed. No statistics of such checks is, however, maintained.

(d) It is the constant endeavour of the Railways to provide adequate amenities to the passengers. For this purpose, allocation of fund for passenger amenities is increased every year. Zonal Railways have also been directed to formulate perspective plans for provision of passenger amenities so that these could be provided/augmented in a phased manner.

Seed Growing contract with farmers of East Godavari District

1335. SHRI YERRA NARAYANASWAMY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Seeds Corporation has any operations in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether National Seeds Corporation has any seed-growing contract with farmers of East Godavari district in Andhra Pradesh in 1994-95 and 1995-96; and

(d) if so, whether the contract has been completed?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) and (b) Main operations of National Seeds Corporation (NSC) in Andhra Pradesh are to organise production of seeds through contract growers and distribution of certified seeds. Major crop seeds produced are Maize, Sorghum, Bajra, Paddy, Cowpea, Sunflower, Groundnut, Castor, Jute, Cotton and Vegetables. The Corporation procured about 55,246 quintals of seeds during 1994-95 and 47,064 quintals during 1995-96. The Corporation also distributed certified seeds of various crops to the farmers through NSC sale counters, dealers and Government Agencies to the tune of 5775 quintals and 5465 quintals during 1994-95 and 1995-96 respectively.

(c) Seven seed growers had taken contract seed production of tomato from National Seeds Corporation during 1994-95. No grower of East Godavari District had taken seed production during 1995-96.

(d) Seed crop at field stage was not conforming to minimum seed standard, hence, seed of tomato was not procured.

Review of agricultural policy

1336. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:
SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have reviewed and revised the agricultural policy;

(b) if so, what major changes and modifications in its main objectives have been or are proposed to be made under the revised policy; and

(c) what specific steps are contemplated thereunder for intensification of agriculture, ensuring its growth as an industry and free movement and processing of agricultural produce?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) to (c) The draft Agriculture Policy Resolution which was discussed in Rajya Sabha on August 1—3, 1995 and in Lok Sabha on August 7—9, 1995 is under finalization keeping in view the suggestions made by the Members of Parliament and the concerned Ministries/Departments of the Government of India.

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1337. श्री अजीत जोगी: क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बताने कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) भारतीय पुरातत्व सर्वेक्षण विभाग द्वारा प्रत्येक